

ABSTRACT

The present invention is directed to novel heteroatom containing tetracyclic derivatives; pharmaceutical compositions containing them, their use  
5 in the treatment and / or prevention of disorders mediated by one or more estrogen receptors and processes for their preparation. The compounds of the invention are useful in the treatment and / or prevention of disorders associated with the depletion of estrogen such as hot flashes, vaginal dryness, osteopenia and osteoporosis; hormone sensitive cancers and hyperplasia of the breast,  
10 endometrium, cervix and prostate; endometriosis, uterine fibroids, osteoarthritis and as contraceptive agents, alone or in combination with a progestogen or progestogen antagonist.